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July 9, 2007

George H. Person, Chief Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

Dear Mr. Person,

I spoke with Willard on July 5, 2007 about the tires in question. Mr. Willard informed me that our company (Dunlap & Kyle CO., Inc.) was included on a database provided by U.S. customs showing us to be an importer of tires from Hangzhou Zhongce Rubber Co. Ltd. I believe the information in that database is incorrect. Attached is an invoice for Alexander for the entry, duties and freight for container TTNU9050525, the commercial invoice for that same container, the arrival notice the references that same container and commercial invoice and the U.S Customs entry summary that references the commercial invoice.

The tires on this commercial invoice are not manufactured by H.Z. They are manufactured by Beijing Tyre Factory. I am enclosing a photo of the tire, which shows the same model number referenced on the invoice and the D.O.T. number on the tire. The D.O.T. number begins with OJ, which is the code for Beijing Tyre Factory. Lastly on the arrival notice you will see the port of loading is Xingang. HZ would have been Hangzhou, which is several hundred miles away from Xingang.

Please let me know if you have any other questions or need any more information.

Sincerely,

Dennis King V.P. Operations

Dunlap & Kyle Co., Inc.

1. Please identify by brand, model name and size all light truck radial tires produced by HZR that are the same size as any of the tires identified on page 1 of this letter, and which were imported into the United States by your company between January 2001 to present, that your company sold or otherwise distributed in the United States. These tires are referred hereinafter as "similar tires."

Answer: NONE

2. If your company does not agree with the statement made in the enclosed report by FTS that your company imported tires manufactured by HZR that are similarly constructed and of the same size as those identified by FTS, and if your company does not believe that those similar tires contain a safety-related defect, please provide an explanation for your company's position.

Answer: ENCLOSED

3. Separately, for each tire line identified as similar tires above, state quantity of, and the range of TINs, for those tires that your company sold to wholesalers, retail distributors or dealers, or to the general public through individual sales.

Answer: NONE

- 4. As to all similar tires that you have identified in response to request No. 1 above, please provide the following information:
 - a. Identify by contact name, address and phone number each wholesaler, retail distributor or dealer, and individual member of the general public to whom your company directly sold or otherwise distributed any of the similar tires. Provide the number of tires sold or otherwise distributed to each, separately identified by brand name and size.

Answer: NONE

b. Provide a copy of each tire registration form (see 49 C.F.R. part 574) and comparable information (e.g., data bases and files with names of tire purchasers (not for resale)).

Answer: NONE

5. State whether or not your company imported and sold tires bearing the manufacturing code "FTS" in the TIN.

Answer: NO

- 6. State, with respect to the tires identified in response to Request No. 1 above, by tire brand name, model, tire size and year of manufacture, the number of each of the following, received by your company, or of which your company is otherwise aware, which relate to, or may relate to tread separation, blowout or belt to belt separation in the similar tires that you imported:
 - a. Reports involving a crash, injury, or fatality, based on claims against your company and/or HZR involving a death or injury, notices received by your company or HZR alleging or proving that a death or injury was caused by a possible defect in a subject vehicle;
 - b. Property damage claims;
 - c. Warranty adjustments;
 - d. Complaints, including those from fleet operators;
 - e. Third-party arbitration proceedings where your company is or was a party to the arbitration; and,
 - f. Lawsuits, both pending and closed, in which you company is or was a defendant or codefendant.

Answer: NONE

For subparts "a" through "f," state the total number of each item (e.g., fatality reports, property damage claims, warranty adjustments, etc.) separately. Multiple incidents involving the same tire are to be counted separately. Multiple reports of the same incident are also to be counted separately (i.e., a property damage claim and warranty adjustment involving the same incident in which a crash occurred are to be counted as a property damage claim and a warranty adjustment).

In addition, for items "a" through "f," provide a summary description of the alleged problem and causal and contributing factors and your company's assessment of the problem, with a summary of the significant underlying facts and evidence. For items "e" and "f," identify the parties to the action, as well as the caption, court, docket number, and date on which the compliant or other document initiating the action was filed.

7. Produce copies of all documents related to each item within the scope of your response to Request No. 6, including, but not limited to, received complaints and warranty adjustment claims. Describe the search method used by your company in identifying these documents. Organize the documents separately by category (i.e., fatality, property damage claims, warranty adjustments, etc.) and describe the method your company used for organizing the documents.

Answer: N/A

8. Describe all testing that your company conducted, arranged to have conducted (e.g., by a test laboratory) and/or that your company otherwise relied on in certifying that each of the subject tires were in compliance with the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards. For each test, state the date of the date of the test, describe the tire tested including model, size, and production date, describe the test (e.g., FMVSS No. 119 with "S" paragraph number) and state the test results. This information request covers a period prior to 2001 if the certification testing occurred before 2001.

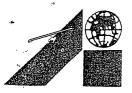
Answer: N/A

9. Describe all testing that your company conducted, arranged to have conducted (e.g., by a test laboratory) and or about which your company otherwise had information on the subject tires, other than certification tests identified in your answer to number 8 above. For each test, state the date of the test, describe the tire tested including model, size, and production date, describe the test and state the test results. This information request covers a period prior to 2001 if for subject tires designed and tested before 2001.

Answer: N/A

10. Provide copies of all communications with HZR related to durability and performance of the subject tires.

Answer: N/A



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